In re Medtronic Implantable Defibrillators Products Liability Litigation MDL 1726 (JMR/AJB)

<u>Initial Conference Agenda</u> January 6, 2005, 9:30 a.m.

- Introduction of Court and staff
- Plaintiff's Steering Committee

Questions relating to individual parties
Third-Party Payors

- Defense team
- Scheduling:

Consolidated Complaint and Answer

Identify and narrow the issues of facts and law

Need for Emergency/Expedited Cases

Discovery schedules

Confidentiality Orders

Expert discovery

Party identification/device tracking

Confidentiality issues

Doctor/Patient issues

Monthly status conferences

- Web access (www.mnd.uscourts.gov)
- Filing and service requirements
- Discovery issues

Preservation of evidence

Document depository

Deposition protocol

- Database issue
- Lawyers to lay out schedule with Judge Boylan